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Contract for Transportation of 2,000,000 Tons.

## **BIG COMPANY ORGANIZED**

on This Port. Adantic Trans portation Company is

the Name.

organization in the past few s of the Atlantic Transportation city, one of the largest concerns of ad in the United States, means he coal output at Newport News, larger than any other American will be increased by at least 2,000,—seamually for the next five years. American Transportation Com-

News, where his official duties have of ten brought him.

## Deeds Recorded

R. M. Heath to J. M. Curtis, trustee; consideration, \$1,000. J. M. Heffellinger et ux to Thomas Brooks; consideration, \$200. Thomas Brooks et ux to Charles Hef-fellinger, trustee; consideration, \$150.

## Kerp Off the Sidewalks.

At the next meeting of the common council an amendment will be offered to an ordinance now in existence, but involverative by teason of the wording of the measure. The amendment will impose a penalty for driving a wagon corress a sidewalk except to enter a person's private premises, whereas the present ordinance forbids only driving along the sidewalks.

Editor Press:
Dear Sir:—A gentleman remarked to
a painter, "I see you have to put the
sign 'paint' on the house to let people
know that you are using paint; they
might chink you were whitewashing."
Now, if people use Holt's paints and
other building material they will need
no signs; they can also call Phone No.
2873 when they want an undertaker.
Yours truly.

W. H. K. HOLT.
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If you want pictures of any kind of size see Wagoner, 2412 Washington avenue.

A Happy Woman Is the housekeeper who buys her coal and wood from the Warwick Coal and Wood Co., Twenty-eighth street, ja 14 tf

## CHESAPEAKE GUN CLUB.

geon Shoot at Riverview Park Yes

The Chesapeake Gun Club held a shoot at Riverview Park yesterony fitermoon at 3 o'clock. The club has seen shooting under many disadvantages, owing to the fact that the range as not yet been completed. The 'Shoot' yesterday was the first me at which the concealed traps were used. They are a success. Each of the twenty-four members resent had 25 shots at birds and the core shows that there was some clever

C. Barggamin	1
Dr. Charles	18
Dr. Copper	
Ca Ca Charles	15
Ct C. Crafford	1
T. P. Dunoun	2
A. G. F.fer	1
E. C. Hilyer	
J. P. Harrison	1
D. B. James	î
W W Loris	i
F. K. Latimer	
E. W. Mistead	-1
E. S. Robinson	1
C. W. Robinson	-1
B. B. Semmes	- 6
W. K. Stow	
I W M North	
J. K. M. Newton	
A. C. Bargamin	
Dr. Perkins	1
A. McMahon	1
J. T. Moyer	- 3
J. P. Womble	1
T 62 C	1
T. F. Stearnes	2
E. P. Woolfolk	

## AT THE OPERA HUUSE

Large Audience.

The entertainment given last evening at the opera house under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church, was attended by a large and fashionable audience, who warmly appauded each number on the excellent program, which was under the able management of dirs. Norton. The program, which was a long one, was divided into two parts, the first consisting of a Cantata entitled "Land of Nod," in which Miss Norma Nella Norton represented the Queen. She was supported by a cleverly trained cast of young laddes and children.

The second part of the program consisted of tableaux representing some of Charles Dara Gibson's pictures. All of the tableaux were extremely well conceived, and elicited much well carned inplause.

During the evening Mrs. C. W. Robitson and Miss Clamence.

applause, the evening Mrs. C. W. Rob-inson and Miss Clemence Cooke ren-dered vocal solos, which added largely to the enjoyment of the evening. The management was so e nounaged by the success of the entertainment last night it was decided to repeat the performance this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Wise, or otherwise? The newspapers have published information in regard to the importance of Newport News in case of war, and have shown how easily Spain could get in and knock us to pleees. However, there will be no war and more important just now is the information that building material, coffers and caskets can be gotten at reasonable rabes at Twenty-seventh street and Rozmoke avenue. Phone 2873, iW. H. K. Holt.

Shells Shipped Yesterday to Fort Washington.

# MORTARS READY TO FIRE

that a Crisis is at Hand. Messages Coming in Thickund

much speculation has been findulged in.
The first report was that she had been ordered to New York to guard the Spanish cruiser Vizcaya, which was paying a "friendly visit" to that port. It was later reported that she would take the place of the ill-fated Maine in Havama harbor. At moon yesterday the monitor was anchored off Old Point, and it appears as if she were going to enjoy the gayeties of the season at that place, and epend the winter in Hampton Roads. However, she may leave for southern waters at any time. Visitors were allowed on board laid day yesterday, and those who finve been on her say that she is a very trim craft and could put up a good fight with almost any ship.

Common sense vs. Notsense. Good such speculation has been indulged in

Common sense vs. Notsense. Good ingreddents mixed by machinory, by responsible people, makes g.vd paint. That's common sense. "Oh, I don't use ready mixed paints." That's nonsense. Try Va'entine's common sense at 27th street and Roanoke avenue. Phone No. 1878.

No Breakdowns.

If you ride an Eelipse, and they don't need pumping up every few minutes, either, because we fit 'em with first-class thres, and remember, should you meet with an accident they cost you nothing for repairs. Why not buy the best bicycle made, especially when we sell them as cheap and on easier terms than others who sell inferior bleycles. Eclipse bicycles are guaranteed for four years. Bear this on mind, also, NEWPORT NEWS CYCLE CO., 221 Twenty-seventh st.

For Rent—The Central Hotel, nicely furnished. Apply to M. H. Lasb, 2803 Washington avenue. feb 15-tf.

r. Mr. E. A. Shackel-ian D. Wallsce, the Chesapeake Gun ieir regular weekly law Park this after-

number of Virginia counties and their recently reported unfavorably for tracks, held unother meeting some es ago and, after hearing a statement in Cierk of Courts "Doug." Smith, ided that the charges made had mis-resented the "Old Free State" and rejuded to return another report, ich, as presented in the House, is as lowe:

blob, as presented in the House, is as allows:
"In the investigation of the affairs of the county of Warwick, your committee found an apparent discrepancy between the number of cases tried by juscies and the number centified by the lerk, and your committee also found a apparent duplication of seventeen asses in the reports of two distinct norths. Since making the first report he clerk of Warwick county has appeared before your committee with his ecords and has shown to your committee that no discrepancy existed and that he duplication referred to above did not in fact-exist.

e duplication referred to doove the fact exist.

Your committee offers this supplemental report in justice to the clerk of arwick county, upon whom the first port might be deemed a reflection, and far us the examination of your comittee has gone, his administration appears to be regular and proper."

When you went building material Held your orders until you Know what the best and lowest in Hardware, further, texth, paints, oils, shingses, membrings, cernent, lime, plasser, roofing, materials, tar, tools, stoves and tinware. Twenty-seventh street and Roanoke avenue, Paone No. 2873.

Do Not Disturb the Secretary of the Navy.

## QUESTION OF INDEMNITY

Precedents Being Considered With View Making Out a Craim Against Spain If the Accident theory is Exploded.

(By Telegraph.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—In spike
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## GOVERNMENT COAL

Contract Placed. Part of It Sent Through Newport News.

carough an officer of one of the largest coal corporations doing business in this discrict, that the Navy Department had closed contracts with the Incorporated firm of Castner, Curran & Bullet, of Finitadelphia, for the delivery at Key West, Sand Keys, Dry Tortugus, Savannah, Charleston and Fort Monroe, of 250,000 tons of Pocahontas coal, and with the Ithodes Beidler Coal Company, of Cleveland, for the delivery of 50,000 tons of the Goshen coal, of that company.

pany, of Cleveland, for the delivery of 50,000 tons of the Goshen coal, of that company.

"The stipulations of the contracts just placed are that the coal so ordered shall be delivered at the designated shall be delivered at the designated shall be active to the stipulation as soon as it is possible to do so, and that the utmost secrety be observed about the matter.

"In carrying out these contracts the railroads play a most prominent part, and for the purpose of moving everything as expeditiously as possible.President M. E. Ingalls, of the Chesapeake & Ohio Laidroad, Receiver Oscar G. Murray, of the Bakitmore & Ohio, and General Manager L. F. Tore, of the Pennsylvania, went to Washington last week and consulted with Secretary Long, of the may, and Assistant Secretary Mediciohn, of the War Department, on the matter. Contracts and all arrangements for the rapid handling and shipping of the coal were made, and the government, it is understood, agreed to pay a bonus to both the coal miners and the railroads it the 200,000 rons were delivered within the specified time."

PROCTOR OFF FOR HAVANA. No Polifical Significance Says the Sen-

No Political Signature Says the Sen-dersphile (By Telegraph.)
KEY WEST, FLA., Feb. 25.—Senator Proctor is among the Mascott's passen-gers. Before sailing for Havana he was shown a dispatch published here, say-Wood delivered in any part of the city for 90 cents per load, cash. M. S. Warren, 445 Twenty-ninth street. Phone 2615.

# ing that there is considerable excite her; at Hatuna over his expected vis t. Fe rood it, laughed and said "Ab mrd!"

ried Shad. Pried Oysters.

Hot Turkey with Ceiery.

Turkey with Ceiery.

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Obster. Chicken. Pouto Salad.

Three Meats. Tea.

## REPUBLICANS WILL UNITED

Prior to the last few weeks such con

erences were not to be considered.

Mr. Read and Mr. Hopkins have map-bed out plans for the future which will, all probability, meet with the appro-al of the executive committee of both which.

val of the executave committee of both clubs.

These committees will meet in the early part of next week and formulate the course of the Republican party in Newport News in the municipal campaign of this spring.

As soon as the two executive committees decide upon their plans immediate attention will be given to candidates and it can be said with some degree of certainty that a full Reupublican ticket will be put in the field at the May election.

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It is known that Dr. Joseph Charles is
the unanimous choice of all Republitians for the office of Mayor and a committee will shortly be appointed to
wait on him and learn his final decision
as to his candidacy.
In the event that Dr. Charles declines
to run, it is probable that Mr. H. E.
Parker will be the nomines of the party;
Mr. W. T. Hopkins will be the Republican candidate for the city sergeantcy.
No consideration has yet been given
to the other offices to be filled, but there
are a number of candidates who are
seeking the endorsement of the party.

M. M. Josephini in the sum are about

Mud jies baked in the sun are about as palatable as badly baked erackers made from vile muterial. The Fox Crackers are bigestible, delicious, nich pure arch palatable. Look for "Fox" or he box before you give your order.

"The north wind doth blow," and will downed you need weather strips or your windows and doors. I have them W. H. K. Holt, Twenty-seventh street an? Rengelse avenue. Phone 2873. fe-22-til-th-sat-tf.

# MAINE BEYONDREPAIR

Board of Inquiry Reaches

This Conclusion.

THEY WANT \$2,000,000 ckers for Raising th Vessel.

Divers Stick to Their

led not sellute the forts at the narrows as she passed our. It is said at the office of the Spenish consul general that the Vizcuya will proceed to Havana without stopping en route.

At the afternoon session of the court of inquiry the examination of fivers was continued. A civilian, whose testimonies said to be of some importance, was also examined. The name of the witness and all the particulars of his evidence are withheld.

Late today the paymaster's sefe with \$22,500 and his papers, was taken from the wreck. Beyond this no statiment is made as to the value and nature of the contents, but a large quantity of water ran out when the safe was raised above the surface.

The complaint is still made that the electric knops are of little use to the divers, as the light is faint and uncertain, and to hold them takes one of the diver' hands. So far as reports made public go, the workmen on the tug Right Arm, with the assistance of the navel divers, are the hatch, which led to the firstoom platforms. Shoring with timbers was necessary and the divers had to wait for the immber to lay.

The Havana papers print long extracts from the American alless, but, of course, only of deaptil news. All the Americans are anxiously availing the arrival of tomorrow's mal.

Consul General Lee says he has received no news of importance from the state department today, nor been notified to expect the arrival of anyone of prominence. It is believed here that if any American of national reputation comes to Havana now it will be to utily the situation for himself and not as an official commissioner.

Cargo of M. J. Grove's No. 1 Wash-ngton Lime, Brick Lime, Plaster and Genuine Portland Cement. Will meet all 'air competition in prices, W. H. K. HOLT. Phone No. 2878.